

## DYER LOSES POSITION

## President Resents Attempt to Force Vindication.

## WILL BE DROPPED ON LANDING

Former Employee at St. Louis Sub-treasury, Acquitted on Embezzlement Charge, on Way Back from Europe with Prisoner—Stories Complimentary to Dyer Cause Removal.

Newspaper stories complimentary to David P. Dyer, Jr., of St. Louis, caused President Roosevelt yesterday to dismiss Dyer from his office as an agent of the Federal government, designated for the special purpose of bringing a confessed defaulter from Europe to this country.

The prisoner was Charles F. Grofendorf, former paying teller of the Washington National Bank, of St. Louis. He had defaulted, fled to Europe, and finally written to the Federal authorities in St. Louis that he would surrender.

Dyer was designated by his father, then United States district attorney in St. Louis and now a United States judge, to go to Europe to get Grofendorf and bring him home. Young Dyer had been tried on the charge of embezzling \$3,000 from the United States subtreasury in St. Louis, and had been acquitted.

## Seek to Emphasize Vindication.

When papers chronicled this morning that Dyer and Grofendorf were to arrive on the Deutschland, they said that Dyer had been designated to go to Europe and bring the defaulter home to emphasize his vindication. When the President and Attorney General Bonaparte read these stories they made an inquiry, and Dyer's removal from his special office was the upshot.

The following official statement on the subject was given out by the Department of Justice last night:

"It was stated at the Department of Justice today that the President knew nothing of the orders directing David P. Dyer, Jr., to go abroad to receive the defaulter of Charles F. Grofendorf, formerly paying teller of the Washington National Bank of St. Louis.

"It is usual for the United States Attorney in the district in which the proceedings originate to designate some person as suitable to bring an extradited prisoner back to the United States. In this district attorney was the present Judge David P. Dyer, Jr., and the appointment was made in the usual course, as a matter of routine, without having been called to the attention of the Attorney General, or any other superior officer of the department, without any direction on the part of the President, and without the President's knowledge. When it became evident from newspaper publications that an effort was being made to give the appointment the character of a 'vindication' to the younger Dyer, the department took steps to discontinue Dyer's connection with the service.

## To Be Removed at Once.

"The United States marshal at New York was directed to meet the Deutschland and to take Grofendorf from Dyer's custody. Under ordinary circumstances, the person who brought Grofendorf from abroad would have continued to St. Louis in charge of the prisoner. The Department of Justice desired to discontinue Dyer's services so as to show that a wholly unwarranted significance had been given to the appointment, which was, in fact, due to an inadvertence, and as he had sailed for the Deutschland, the revocation could only take effect on the arrival of the steamer."

When Dyer was arrested in St. Louis on the charge of embezzling money from the subtreasury his father was district attorney, and it was necessary to employ a special attorney to prosecute him. Before his trial he was dismissed from the office he held in the subtreasury. After his acquittal, Dyer paid the full amount of his bond to cover the loss of the money for which he was officially responsible.

## MOODY ACCEPTS CHALLENGE.

Band Contest Arranged for May 30 at Randle Highlands.

Jacob H. Moody, leader of the Naval Gun Factory Band, has accepted the challenge from the Laurel Military Band for a contest between these bands at North Randle Highlands May 30.

This will be the most exciting military musical event ever witnessed in Washington, and is awaited with a great deal of interest. The Gun Factory Band is to play Northern airs, and the Laurel Military Band Southern airs. At the end of the contest a vote is to be taken by all present, and the band which receives the most votes is to be awarded the gold medal offered by Col. Randle.

The excitement over this contest is felt throughout the city, and great numbers are going to visit North Randle Highlands; and from present indications most of the lots will be sold before the big day of sale, as the demand seems greater for property than that of Randle Highlands when that property was put on the market, eighteen months ago, on the occasion many camped on the ground the night before the sale to secure the choicest lots.

It is estimated that a large per cent of the white population of Washington will witness this contest, as North Randle Highlands will be crowded with pleasure-seekers on the 30th. Many will bring their baskets, although refreshments will be furnished free on the grounds to all comers.

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## JOHN HAYES' WILL FILED.

Greater Portion of His Estate Left to His Wife.

The will of John Hayes was filed for probate yesterday, naming Michael P. Sullivan executor. The deceased directs that all his personal property go to his wife, Catharine Hayes, and that she also have possession during her life of the property at 709, 717 and 721 Grant avenue. It is further directed that premises 456 and 458 N. street go to John Joe Stafford and William Paul Stafford, children of John and Mary Stafford, upon condition that they pay \$500 to Maggie Loeffler, a daughter of Mary Ann Stafford, within ten years of testator's death. The property bequeathed to the wife of the deceased after her death is to be sold and the proceeds to be divided as follows: To Rev. S. F. Ryan, of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, \$100; to the Little Sisters of the Poor, \$100; the balance and remainder to be divided among relatives.

## COL. HARRISON UNDER FIRE.

War Department Asked to Investigate Dance Incident.

Col. G. F. E. Harrison, stationed at Fort Monroe, may be asked by the War Department to explain his actions in asking the wives of two well-known men to leave the ballroom at the Hotel Chamberlain last week. The husbands, Archibald S. White, president of the Columbia Gas and Electric Company, and Charles E. Thorne, want a vindication, and Admiral Evans has secured a report which shows the army officer to have been in error.

The two women had been invited to the ball, and when asked to leave did not understand the motive. There was some discussion, and they were later asked to leave the hotel. They had oral invitations from Lieut. Pendleton, of the army, and were escorted by Lieut. Reese and Surgeon Schwerin, who are naval officers. The court of inquiry exonerated these officers.

## BLACKBURN SUIT DISMISSED

Court Throws Out Case Brought Against Charles M. Campbell.

Justice Clabaugh Finds Complainant Produces No Corroborative Evidence to Support Contentions.

The rule to show cause issued recently against Charles M. Campbell at the instance of Orlando B. Blackburn, a New York broker, was yesterday discharged by Justice Clabaugh. The court also declined to appoint a receiver for certain stock in the Intercontinental Correspondence University and the National Hotel, in which Blackburn claimed to have an interest.

Chief Justice Clabaugh, in announcing his decision, said that the complainant had produced no corroborative evidence to support his contentions, whereas the defendant had entered a complete denial of every point at issue, and this denial was supported by two affidavits. The weight of evidence, he therefore considered, was all on the side of the defendant.

## NEWS CUT SHORT

## FOR BUSY READERS

Justice Barnard yesterday issued an order enjoining William F. Daley from in any way interfering with his wife, Charlotte Daley, who has filed a suit for a limited divorce, alleging that her husband has never contributed toward her support.

## Samuel Petralio, recently convicted for an attack on Mrs. Mary A. Fox, June 2, 1906, was yesterday sentenced by Justice Stafford to serve five years in the penitentiary. Attorney J. S. Eashy-Smith, for Petralio, noted an appeal to the Court of Appeals.

## Joseph J. Maehs has filed suit against James F. Brennan for a dissolution of partnership, to appoint a receiver, and for an accounting. He claims that the defendant failed to keep the terms of their agreement. Attorney C. F. Diggs appears for the complainant.

## A sentence of six years penitentiary imprisonment was imposed by Justice Stafford yesterday on Harvey A. Smith, who was convicted of housebreaking and larceny. Smith, according to the testimony, had served three years in the penitentiary, as well as a term in the reform school.

George W. England yesterday petitioned the District Supreme Court to issue a decree annulling his marriage to Veronica M. England, alleging that the same was procured by fraud. Attorney Campbell Carrington, for the petitioner, says that they were married in Kansas, June 29, 1904, and that there are no children.

Edward Leon Thompson, alias Dr. Edward Leon, yesterday was sentenced by Justice Barnard to two years in the Mountville Penitentiary on the charge of having performed a criminal operation on Sadie Volk, Attorney Leo Simmons and Thomas C. Taylor, for the defense, noted an appeal, and Justice Barnard admitted the night before the sale to secure the choicest lots.

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## SEVEN GET DIPLOMAS

## President Talks at Friends School Graduation.

## GIVES ADVICE TO THE BOYS

Tells Them Not to Be a Bully Nor to Be Afraid of Rough Play—Distinguished Educators Among the Visitors at the Exercises—Archibald S. White, President of the School.

Three sweet girl graduates in pretty white gowns and bearing bouquets of pink roses, and four bashful young men, the class of '07 of the Friends School, had the honor of receiving their diplomas last night from the hand of the President, after the Chief Executive had delivered a short address filled with bits of timely advice to young folk and their parents. The President was accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt. They remained throughout the presentation exercises, after which they received the school classes and the guests of the evening.

Thomas W. Sidwell, the principal, presided during the exercises. Dr. Jesse H. Holmes, of Swarthmore College, delivered the opening prayer, following which Fitzhugh Coyle Goldsborough, a local young violinist, rendered several numbers with brilliancy.

Mr. Sidwell introduced the President, who bowed upon the gathering and launched into one of his characteristic impromptu addresses, in which he referred to himself at one point as "pretty much of a sermon."

## President Talks to Boys.

He spoke mostly to the young boys gathered before him, among whom was seated Archie, the President's son and a pupil of the school.

"The boy who misuses his strength and physical courage to abuse smaller and weaker boys or girls," said the President, "or to torture some dumb animal, is the meanest kind of a boy there is. The boy who is kind and gentle, but who is afraid to mingle with other boys lest they be rude to him, is a poor specimen, but the boy who is more to be despised. Be the right kind of boy around the house. Act in your home in such a manner that when you are out of the house you leave behind you genuine sorrow and not a sign of relief."

The President closed by using a maxim which he said came from the football field. He told the youngsters to be game, and then said: "Don't flinch, don't give in, and hit the line hard." Mr. Sidwell called off the name of each graduate, who advanced and received the diploma from the President. The graduates were Harold Beverly Chase, Helen Douglas, Alexander Bolling Galt, George William Lyman, Margaret, Margaret Phillips, Thora Mira Riley, and Leroy Ordway King.

## Distinguished Guests Present.

Among the guests on the platform were Charles Jenkins, editor of the Friends Intelligencer, and Mrs. Jenkins, Prof. Holmes, of Swarthmore College, and Mrs. Holmes, William W. Birdsall, principal of the Girls' High School of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Birdsall, Dr. O. Edward Janney, of Baltimore, chairman of the Friends General Conference, and Mrs. Janney, Prof. E. L. Lamb and Mrs. Lamb, E. C. Wilson, principal of the Friends School, Baltimore, and Mrs. Wilson, and Dean Penman, of the University of Pennsylvania.

Among the other special guests were President Woodrow Wilson, of the Carnegie Institute, and Mrs. Woodrow, President Gallaudet, of Gallaudet College; Dean Wilbur, of George Washington University, and Mrs. Wilbur, Commissioner Macfarland and Mrs. Macfarland, Prof. Jameson, of the Carnegie Institute, and Mrs. Jameson, and Mr. B. T. Janney, supervising principal of the public schools, and Mrs. Janney.

## Recital by Music Students.

A programme consisting of song numbers by American, English, English, French, and Irish composers was successfully presented by the pupils of Miss Edith Pickering, of the University of Music and Dramatic Art, before a large audience at the rooms of the institution last night. The programme was as follows:

- (a) "Come Away".....Perkins
- (b) "In Old Madrid".....Trotter
- (c) "The Song of the Lark".....Goddard
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## Maccabees Honor Organizer

Three Tents of Modern Knights Hold Banquet.

The Knights of the Modern Maccabees held a banquet, representing the three tents of the jurisdiction, at Freund's Thursday night, where over sixty of the Sir Knights gathered to fraternize and pay their respects to F. W. Stevens, general organizer of the order, who was present as the guest of honor.

J. H. Junghans, supervising deputy for the District, presided as toastmaster, and delivered the address of welcome to the guest.

A pleasant surprise was the presentation of a finely engraved gold-handled umbrella to W. E. Porter, commander of Progressive Tent, by its members.

Frank M. Skinner, introduced as the greatest fraternal man in the District, who was present by invitation, also spoke. The other speakers of the evening were:

- "Labor and Education," J. J. Sullivan, Fraternal Tent, 123; "Patriotism," E. H. Tyler, Progressive Tent, 145; "The Ancient Maccabees," S. S. English, Modern Tent, 127; "The Fraternal Society," F. J. Myers, Fraternal Tent, 128; "Our Silent Partners," W. E. Porter, Progressive Tent, 145; "Degree Work," J. M. Foster, Fraternal Tent, 126; "Patriotism," R. S. Ashton, Modern Tent, 122; and "Our Dear Tent," J. E. Coffey, Progressive Tent, 143.

## Companies Must Repair Streets.

In response to the numerous complaints regarding the dust and dirt arising from the street railway tracks, Commissioner West has directed that the street car companies be required to repair the asphalt surface between the tracks and the two feet outside the tracks as required by law. John T. Twohey, superintendent of street cleaning, was yesterday directed to submit a list of streets on which repairs are necessary.

## No Color and No Comic.

The Sunday issue of The Washington Herald is growing with each succeeding issue because it is so different from other Sunday papers. It is bright and new and clean all the way through.

## Mrs. Axson Taken Home.

Mrs. Axson, of Chester, Pa., who was arrested in Baltimore and Ohio on Thursday night on a charge of insanity, was removed to her home yesterday morning by her husband, who had been notified by the local police. Policeman Nussbaum noticed the peculiar actions of the woman as she got off a late train, and a constable her just after she had endeavored to reach her home. President Roosevelt over the telephone.

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## TRIAL BOARD DISAGREES.

Differs with Its Attorney Over the Mulhall-Mathews Case.

In reference to the delay of the police trial board in submitting its verdict in the Mathews-Mulhall case, Commissioner West said yesterday that he had received a verbal report from Maj. Sylvester, who stated that the findings of the board had not yet been submitted to him, although he had made numerous inquiries concerning it.

Commissioner West's communication to Maj. Sylvester, asking when a verdict may be expected, was referred to the trial board by the superintendent of police, who, according to Commissioner West, states that the delay is the result of a disagreement between police members of the board and Assistant Corporation Counsel James Francis Smith.

In reference to this, Inspector Swindells yesterday said that an agreement had not been reached, but that it was expected that the board would render its decision within a few days.

Capt. Mulhall and Capt. Mathews are charged with official interference in the rescue of Hugh Murphy, an engineer, from a wreck on the Southern Railway, in this city, September last.

## BOY BITTEN BY DOG.

George R. Spruce Attacked by Huge St. Bernard.

George R. Spruce, an eight-year-old boy, was badly bitten by a huge St. Bernard dog yesterday afternoon at Ninth and I streets. The lad's arms and legs were a mass of scratches and bites when he was carried to the house of Dr. Arthur Hall, who cauterized the wounds and took him to his home at 511 I street.

The dog is said to have had no provocation for the attack, and will be taken to the pound this morning. The dog is the property of Roswell White.

## WOMAN LAWYERS GRADUATED

Five Given Diplomas by Washington College of Law.

Equal Number of Men Receive Their Sheepskins—Warned to Keep Out of Politics.

Ten disciples of Blackstone, five of whom are of the gentler sex, received the degree of Bachelor of Law at the ninth annual commencement of the Washington College of Law in the banquet hall of the New Willard Hotel last night. In an address to the graduating class, Josiah A. Van Orsdal, Assistant Attorney General of the United States, sounded a warning to the young lawyers about entering the field of politics.

"I am talking to young people entering the profession," said he, "and let me again beseech you to shun public life, that will interfere with your progress in professional attainment as you would shun a pestilence. Above all things, do not be tempted into the acceptance of an office in Washington, unless it be temporarily one of the few where the duties are such that it will keep you in constant practice, and demand a high type of professional skill and training. Better follow the advice of Gen. Garfield when he said: 'Young man, own something; if it is only a square foot of ground to stand on, own it, and as a last resort, after everything else on earth has failed, accept a clerkship in Washington.'"

Following the address prizes for scholarship were presented by Prof. Emma M. Gillett, LL. M., as follows: A gold medal, Miss Sophie Bishop Kent; second prize, Miss Anna Grace Burke; honorable mention, Miss Anna Grace Burke and Miss Edith Kingman Keen. The prizes for literary composition were given to Miss Edith Kingman Keen, who won the Elliott's General Practice, donated by the Bobbs-Merrill Company, of Indianapolis, Ind., was presented by Prof. Edward C. Dutton to Miss Fannie L. Peter.

Samuel L. Woodrow, pastor of the First Congregational Church, delivered the invocation and benediction. Degrees were conferred upon the following graduates by the college: Anna Grace Burke, Elmer E. Clement, John W. F. Maine, Wallace J. Hill, Clifford Johnson, Sophie Bishop Kent, Edith Kingman Poyer Keen, Fannie L. Peter, Edna J. Spofford, and Albert M. Walker.

## NO LET UP IN COTTON FIGHT.

Bureau of Corporations Pushing Investigation of Exchanges.

Col. L. F. Livingston, of Georgia, on his return to Washington yesterday, to assist in the investigation into the methods of the cotton exchanges of the country, being made by the Bureau of Corporations, declared that he looked for a report to be made to the President by the middle of July or the first of August.

"We are sure to win our fight," he said, "and bring the exchanges back to a legitimate method of doing business, which will mean a reform in their present contracts."

Representative Livingston said he feared the public was in danger of assuming that because the Bureau of Corporations was not making any noise in its work, and was making no announcements through the press, nothing was being done. A representative of the Bureau has for the past six weeks been investigating the affairs of the New York Cotton Exchange, and others will look into the New Orleans and Memphis exchanges.

Asked about the activity of Theodore H. Price, who has turned cotton ball, Col. Livingston said he was gratified that Mr. Price had taken up the fight, and was moving along the very lines he himself had outlined. In declining his fight Mr. Price declared that all the charges made by Col. Livingston were true. It was pointed out, however, that the government could take no part in this personal campaign.

## To INSPECT BIG MILK CANS.

Sealer of Weights and Measures Hear They Have Been Short.

The inspectors of the office of the sealer of weights and measures will to-day begin the work of inspection of the large milk cans used by the dairy farms in the wholesale delivery of milk to the dealers. The cans will be tested as to their capacity and sealed with a steel die, so there will be no difficulty in quickly determining the quantity of milk contained. The inspection is the result of numerous complaints from dealers, who state that in many instances the cans contain from one to two quarts less than the required measure.

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## OHIO SOLONS IGNORED

## Foraker and Dick Not Consulted in Appointments.

## NAMES APPROVED BY TAFT

Seven Buckeye Postmasters Get Credentials After Being Found Satisfactory to the Secretary of War. Confirmation May Be Opposed in the Senate Next December.

Seven Ohio postmasters were appointed by the President yesterday, and in each case the appointee was approved by the friends of Secretary Taft and not by Senator Foraker or Senator Dick. Buckeye politicians in Washington are talking about the significance of this action, and there is no secret whatever of the fact that the appointments were made with the object of strengthening Mr. Taft for the Presidential nomination of 1908.

The appointments were as follows: William E. Halley, Greenville; David C. Mahon, Dennison; Charles R. White, Millersburg; George H. Lewis, Bluffton; Frank Wetherill, Spencerville; George W. White, Unichville, and Charles L. Thompson, Georgetown. The President interested himself personally in the Ohio appointments, consulting with the friends of Secretary Taft and politicians in Ohio who are known to be identified with the Taft movement in national politics.

In the case of minor Presidential appointments, the candidates for appointment are usually recommended to the President by the Post-office Department, but in this case of the Ohio postmasters who were named yesterday, the department was not consulted at all. Of the seven appointees, three were sent to the Senate last winter, but were not confirmed.

## Approved by Dick.

The candidate for the post-office at Greenville was recommended by the Republican county committee with the approval of Senator Dick, but this is one of the names that was sent to the Senate and failed of confirmation because of lack of time.

The men named for office at Dennison and Millersburg were recommended for office by ex-Representative Smyser, and all the others in the list are men known to be favorable to the nomination of Mr. Taft for the Presidency.

They are presumably hostile, therefore, to Senators Dick and Foraker, and the Senate was not consulted in any way regarding these appointments. Whether confirmation will be opposed by the Senators when the recess appointments are sent to the Senate next December is not known.

Other post-office appointments announced yesterday were H. H. Bostwick, Pagosa Springs, Colo.; Josephine B. Cox, Fowler, Ind.; John S. Van Orsdal, Spring Valley, N. C.; William H. Cox, Laurinburg, N. C.; and Alexander W. Harrison, Lawrenceville, Va.

## MAYOR COMBE HEARD AGAIN.

Gives Further Testimony Regarding the Brownsville Shooting.

The Senate Committee on Military Affairs, investigating the Brownsville affair, heard the testimony yesterday of the mayor of Brownsville, a saloonkeeper, a milkman, a Mexican, who talked through an interpreter, and a deputy sheriff. Mayor Combe was the first witness. A letter was introduced which was written to the mayor by Maj. Penrose, who commanded the garrison, repudiating an alleged conversation between himself and Mayor Combe. Voshel, a white soldier, had testified that while he was passing near Maj. Penrose and the mayor he heard the latter make the commander of the garrison that if any of the soldiers appeared on the streets of Brownsville at night they would be shot. Maj. Penrose characterized Voshel as "a liar who ought to be brought to justice."

His deputy sheriff, Ambrose Littlefield, testified positively that he saw negro soldiers carrying muskets and skulking along the streets on the night of the shooting.

Considerable interest was aroused in the testimony given by Alexander Billingsley, the milkman. He said he preferred negro soldiers as customers to whites, because the negroes used more milk and paid their bills more promptly.

Joseph L. Criswell, the saloonkeeper, was subjected to a searching cross-examination. He saw no negro soldiers, but was positive they had the shooting.

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